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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PEPR, PBOR, CI, AR  
SUBJECT: LOCAL PRESS REACTION TO CHILE-ARGENTINE SUMMIT

1. AFTER AN 11 HOUR ONE-ON-ONE SUMMIT BETWEEN THE PRESIDENTS OF CHILE AND ARGENTINA, A DISAPPOINTINGLY BLAND JOINT COMMUNIQUE WAS ISSUED SIMULTANEOUSLY IN MENDOZA AND SANTIAGO DECLARING THAT BOTH GOVERNMENTS WERE WILLING TO NEGOTIATE "FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS WHICH CONCERN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN BOTH COUNTRIES AND PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT AFFECT THE SOUTHERN ZONE..." THERE WAS NO INDICATION THAT RELATIVE POSITIONS HAD CHANGED. THE COMMUNIQUE SAID THAT A SECOND SUMMIT MEETING WOULD BE HELD ON CHILEAN TERRITORY NEXT WEEK.

2. THE PRESS HERE SPECULATES THAT THE SECOND SUMMIT WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 23 OR 24 IN PORTILLO, A CHILEAN SKI RESORT 70 MILES NORTH OF SANTIAGO OR AT AN UNIDENTIFIED LOCATION IN THE SOUTH OF CHILE. IT ALSO REPORTS THAT VIDELA TOLD PINOCHET THAT ARGENTINA WOULD DECLARE THE ARBITRATION DECISION NULL AND VOID BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORIC AND GEOGRAPHIC ERRORS; AND THAT VIDELA  
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AND PINOCHET AGREED TO REJECT CALLING FOR A MEDIATOR AND DISCARDED THE IDEA OF CONDOMINIUM IN THE DISPUTED AREA.

3. COMMENT. THE MEETING WAS EXTENDED REPEATEDLY BEYOND ITS PROJECTED TERMINATION, IMPOSING A FOUR HOUR AIRPORT WAIT HERE ON THE GOC'S TOP OFFICIALS AND ENCOURAGING SPECULATION THAT PINOCHET AND VIDELA MADE MORE PROGRESS THAN IS APPARENT FROM THE

COMMUNIQUE.  
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